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Executive Order No. 20-0511-01

Seventh Update to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response: Extension of Current Orders

Section 1. Authority to Act. The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is a federally-recognized sovereign Tribal nation retaining all inherent powers of self-government. Pursuant to Article V, Section 1 of the Tribal Constitution, the Executive Powers of the Tribe are vested in the Tribal Ogema. Among these is the authority to enforce and execute the laws of the Tribe, to oversee the administration and management of the Tribal government in accordance with the laws, resolutions and motions adopted by Tribal Council, and to manage the enterprises and lands of the tribe. Article V, Section 5(a).

Executive Orders Number 20-0313-01, 20-0316-01, 20-0323-01, 20-0326-01, 20-0408-01, 20-0415-01, and 20-0427-01 were issued in response to the COVID-19 pandemic with the Ogema providing guidance to personnel for travel restrictions and attendance concerns, limiting working government staff to only those areas critical for members' services and restricting access to facilities to discourage public meetings and gatherings. Further, Executive Order 20-0320-01 Declared a State of Emergency for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians. Tribal Council also issued Tribal Council Resolution #20-0320-096, Declaring a State of Emergency.

Section 2. Purpose; Findings. The purpose of this Order is to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the community because it is the Ogema's responsibility to oversee and manage the Tribal government and properties. The situation continues to develop quickly and we are monitoring several announcements from our home state of Michigan, include a stay at home order for all non-essential workers and the temporary closure of many businesses. We are also monitoring the federal government guidance from the Centers for Disease Control.

Section 3. Specific Action. The Ogema hereby announces the following actions:

a. Extension of the series of Executive Orders for the Tribe's response to COVID-19 through May 28, 2020 with the below exception. Further, if it becomes safe to reopen tribal entities and properties prior to the date identified in this order or it

becomes necessary to extend the closure, either event will be announced with a superseding Executive Order as soon as notice is possible. It may take several days to prepare the properties to re-open.

b. Update to previous order to open Bear Lake Highlands Golf Course (EO #20-0427-

01):

1. Section 1(A) required guests to walk the course; however, this Order updates that guidance by allowing golf cart use with the following precautions: sanitation in between guest use, limiting the use to single golfers or those in the same household, and additional precautions as deemed necessary by Resort management to protect the health and safety of guests.

Section 4. Repeal. This Executive Order does not repeal any existing Executive Orders however where previous executive orders related to COVID-19 Response contradict or differ, this order supersedes those orders and shall be considered to control for the purposes of interpretation.

Section 5. Effective Date and Duration of the Order. This Executive Order shall be effective immediately upon execution by the Ogema, and shall remain in effect until a superseding order is issued.

Section 6. Goals. The Office of the Ogema will continue to monitor the situation, including issuing additional orders as is necessary. The goal of this order and all orders related to this worldwide crisis is to stem the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus and ensure the health and safety of our community.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Larry B. Romanelli, Tribal Ogema

Dated: 5-11-2020